(b) was there any loss of money to the Government in the cases of Messrs. Ravunni Menon, Venkiteswara Ayyar and Muthuswami Ayyar, respectively ;

(c) did not Messrs. Venkiteswara Ayyar and Muthuswami Ayyar abscond from the State immediately after the acts of misappropriation were detected against them ;

(d) what was the special reason to show an act of special mercy to Mr. Venkiteswara Ayyar on his petition; to whom was the petition presented ;

(e) was there any special reason to grant a compassionate allowance in the case of Mr. Muthuswami Ayyar; if so, what was that ;

(f) was there any relative of Muthuswami Ayyar in the Huzur Secretariat when this compassionate allowance was granted to him ; if so, what was the name and office of such relative ;

(g) why was not the same attitude taken with regard to the case of Mr. Ravunni Menon also ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) The charge against Ravunni Menon was one of temporary misappropriation of various amounts extending over a period of few months and that against C. R. Venkiteswara Ayyar one of temporary misappropriation of two items amounting to Rs. 21—10—0. The charges against Muthuswami Ayyar were irregularity in office work, suspected misconduct and misappropriation of money.

(b) There was no loss of money in any of the 3 cases.

(c) No.

(d) The petition was presented to the Diwan. There was no special reason.

(e) Yes. His helpless condition and long service under the Government.

(f) Not known.

(g) Government did not think that any consideration was required in this case.

Misconduct of a Head clerk of the District Court.

196. Mr. K. J. Antony.— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what is the office order of the District Munsiff of Ernakulam, dated 25th Karkadagam 1095, regarding the delay in remitting money into the treasury by the then Head clerk, Mr. P. N. Subramania Pillai ;

(b) has the District Munsiff made any report regarding this misconduct of the Head clerk to the District Court; if so, what was that and when ;

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(c) was not this misconduct found out in the course of that year's inspection; if so, what was the inspection remark of the District Judge regarding this;

(d) was any action taken by the Government in the matter of delay in remittance or misappropriation, whatever it be?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) "Inordinate delay is noticed with the Head clerk in remitting into the treasury items of civil courts' deposits that come into his hands. This is highly irregular. He is given a severe warning. He will hereafter remit the money into the treasury the day it comes into his hands or at the latest the next day."

(b) The District Munsiff made a report on 24th Kanni 1096. It was a confidential communication.

(c) This fact did not find a place in the inspection notes.

(d) No action was taken by the Government.

Mr. K. J. Antony.—With reference to (d), may I know why no action was taken by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We have called for explanation as to why no action was taken.

Misappropriation of Devaswam money.

197. Mr. K. J. Antony.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what was the amount misappropriated by Mr. A. K. Samba Ayyar, late the Inspector of Devaswams;

(b) what was the value of the subject matter of the suit that was filed against him in this connection and how was it disposed of;

(c) what was the amount that was decreed against him; has that amount been recovered; if not, why not;

(d) has he presented any petition before the Diwan for the grant of pension; if so, when;

(e) has not the Diwan recommended him for pension; if so, what are the special reasons for such a recommendation and when was it submitted to His Highness;

(f) have any final orders been passed by His Highness on such recommendations of the Diwan;

(g) has not Mr. Samba Ayyar got a close relative in the Government service; and if so, what is his name and office;

(h) if the answer to (g) is in the affirmative, what was the office of his relative when Mr. Samba Ayyar's guilt was detected;

(i) was there any relative of Mr. Samba Ayyar in the Huzur Secretariat when the Diwan recommended him to His Highness for pension?

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